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For:

Ballast System for Tension Leg

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#### RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

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- Transmittal herewith is an Amendment for this application. 1.
- 2. Applicant is

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### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 C.F.R. § 1.8(A))

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# **EXTENSION OF TERM**

3.	The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 (1.136 apply.											
	(complete, as applicable)											
		Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) for the total number of months checked below:										
		Extension (months)  one month	\$	Fee large entity 110.00	\$	Fee for small entity 55.00						
		☐ two months	\$	400.00	\$	200.00	•					
		☐ three months	\$	920.00	\$	460.00						
		☐ four months	\$	1,440.00	\$	720.00						
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# FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d) has been calculated as shown below:

Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Extra Present	Rate	Added Fee
Total: 16	20	0	\$9/18	\$0.00
Independent: 5	5	0	\$43/86	\$0.00
First Presentation of Multiple	Dependent Cla	ims:	\$280/140	\$0.00
		Total Addit	tional Fees:	\$0.00

		(complete (c) or (d), as applicable).		
	$\square$	No additional fee for claims is required.		
		OR		
		Total additional fee for claims required \$_0.00		
		FEE PAYMENT		
5.		Attached is our check in the sum of \$		
		Attached is our check in the sum of \$ for a petition to revive an application.		
		Charge Account No. <u>50-0897</u> the sum of \$		

#### FEE DEFICIENCY

6. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 50-0897 (MOD009/133583)

### AND/OR

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#### Examiner Mayo:

In response to the Office Action dated July 7, 2004, the following amendment is submitted. This amendment is identical to the Preliminary Amendment which was filed on July 8 and which was not considered in the Office Action. Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.